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*Plague in man.*—None.

No bulletins will be issued from this date unless discovery of further infected rodents renders it necessary.

G. H. KING, *Secretary*.

*Plague at Townsville.*

VICTORIA, *December 17, 1904.*

CONSUL-GENERAL FOR UNITED STATES,

*Melbourne:*

I regret to inform you that a case of plague was discovered at Townsville on the 9th instant. No infected rats found there since 25th of July last.

G. H. REID.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY.

*Report from Fiume—Inspection of emigrants.*

Acting Consular Agent La Guardia reports, January 13, as follows:

Steamship *Slavonia* sailed January 12 for New York; embarked 1,595 steerage passengers, rejected 11; 1,700 pieces small and 30 pieces large baggage inspected and passed, 10 pieces disinfected (used feathers and bedding).

BRAZIL.

*Reports from Bahia—End of plague—Mortuary reports.*

Consul Furniss and vice-Consul Rowe report as follows:

During the month of December to date there have occurred 3 cases of plague, of which 2 died, the remaining 1 still being under treatment in the hospital.

The last case of plague occurred on the 7th instant, and there being no suspected cases on the 17th, the following day the state board of health declared officially that Bahia is free from plague.

There are still about 10 patients convalescing from plague in the hospital.

Unless there should be further outbreak plague reports will be discontinued from this date.

From the official statistics for the month of September, 1904, just published, the following information has been compiled:

Maximum temperature, 29° C.; minimum, 22.5° C.; average, 26.7° C. Relative average humidity, 85.34; rainy days, 10.

Births, alive, 226, of which 127 were legitimate and 99 illegitimate. There were in addition 33 stillborn and 42 marriages.

The total deaths were 462 from the following causes: Beriberi, 28; cancer and other malignant tumors, 7; debility, congenital, 7; debility, senile, 19; diseases of circulatory system, 57; diseases of digestive system, 65; diseases of nervous system, 63; diseases of respiratory system, 26; diseases of urinary organs, 9; dysentery, 3; malarial fevers, 17; plague, 22; septicæmia, puerperal, 2; septicæmia, other, 2; smallpox, 5; syphilis, 4; tuberculosis, pulmonary, 47; tuberculosis, other, 2; violent deaths, not suicide, 9; suicides, 1; stillborn 33; other causes, 34.

During the month there were 64 cases of smallpox, of which 41 were males and 23 females. There were 21 cases of confirmed plague and 9 cases suspected, but not examined bacteriologically, and 2 cases suspected, but which ran away and could not be found.

For the week ended December 17, 1904, there were interred in the Bahia cemeteries 83 bodies.

The causes given for interment were the following: Alcoholism, 1; arterio-sclerosis, 4; ascites, 1; asthma, 2; beriberi, 2; Bright's disease, 1; bronchitis, 1; cerebral congestion, 4; cirrhosis of liver, 2; death by violence, 1; diabetes, 1; diarrhea and dysentery, 6; epilepsy, 1; gangrene, 2; hepatitis, 4; intestinal obstructions, 1; malarial fevers, 2; meningitis, 1; nephritis, 1; organic diseases of heart, 4; pneumonia, 2; pulmonary tuberculosis, 16; puerperal fever, 1; scabies, 1; senile debility, 4; stillborn, 6; syncope, 1; syphilis, 1; tetanus, 1; tetanus neonatorum, 1; typhoid fever, 1; umbilical hemorrhage, 1; other causes, 5.

For the week ended December 24, 1904, there were interred in the Bahia cemeteries 77 bodies.

The causes given for interment were the following: Apoplexy, 1; arterio-sclerosis, 1; Bright's disease, 1; bronchitis, 1; cancer, 1; cerebral congestion, 3; cirrhosis of liver, 1; diarrhea and dysentery, 4; gangrene, 1; intestinal obstructions, 4; intestinal parasites, 1; malarial fevers, 5; meningitis, 1; organic diseases of heart, 7; pneumonia, 1; pulmonary tuberculosis, 8; other tuberculosis, 1; rachitis, 2; senile debility, 3; stillborn, 7; syncope, 1; tetanus, 1; tetanus neonatorum, 3; umbilical hemorrhage, 2; uremia, 1; other causes, 15.

For the week ended December 31, 1904, there were interred in the Bahia cemeteries 66 bodies.

The causes given for interment were the following: Aneurism, 1; arterio-sclerosis, 1; asphyxia, 1; beriberi, 2; Bright's disease, 2; bronchitis, 2; cancer, 1; cerebral congestion, 2; cirrhosis of liver, 1; dementia, 1; diarrhea and dysentery, 4; hepatitis, 2; malarial fevers, 5; organic diseases of heart, 2; puerperal fever, 1; pulmonary tuberculosis, 13; senile debility, 1; stillborn, 7; syncope, 1; tetanus neonatorum, 2; other causes, 14.

I have also to inform you that the movement of the smallpox hospital for the month of December was the following:

Existing in hospital from November.....	42
Entering during December.....	44
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Left hospital during December.....	54
Died during December.....	1
	<hr/> 55
Remaining in hospital.....	31

*Reports from Rio—Inspection of vessels—Plague in Buenos Ayres—Mortuary reports from Netheroy, Port Alegre, Pernambuco, Sao Paulo, Santos, Campinas, and Rio.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Stewart reports December 28 as follows:

During the week ended the 25th instant the following vessels were inspected by me, and bills of health were issued to them. On the 19th instant the British steamship *City of Gloucester*, with a cargo of manganese ore, no change in the crew personnel, no passengers, and with no